

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 30, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 29, 2004. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

In the specification, paragraph [0009] has been amended to correct minor editorial problems. Claim 1 has also been amended to correct minor editorial problems. Applicants submit that the changes made herein do not introduce new matter.

Claims 1-19 and 39 remain pending in the application and are shown above. Applicants have canceled claims 20-38. Claims 1-19 and 39 are subject to a restriction requirement. Reconsideration of the restriction is requested for reasons presented below.

Restriction to one of the following groups is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-19, drawn to a method of depositing a low dielectric constant film on a substrate, classified in class 438, subclass 778.
- II. Claims 20-38, drawn to a computer storage medium containing a software routine, which causes a general-purpose computer to control a deposition chamber, which uses a layer deposition method, classified in class 118, subclass 1+.
- III. Claim 39, drawn to a low dielectric constant film formed by a method, classified in class 257, subclass 760+.

Applicants elect group I, claims 1-19 with traverse. The Examiner states that groups I and III are related as process of making and product made and that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process, *i.e.*, a process that does not require that the gas mixture sources are introduced into a single chamber, but rather the gas is introduced into several chambers. However, the process recited in claim 1 corresponds to the process recited in the product by process claim 39 since both claims refer to a deposition chamber. Thus, Applicants submit that the Examiner has not shown that the product of claim 39 can be made by a process that is materially different than the process of claim 1. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the restriction of groups I and III.

Applicants have canceled claims 20-28. Thus, Applicants submit that the Examiner's restriction of groups I and II and of groups II and III is now moot.

Having addressed all issues set out in the restriction requirement, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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